

5 What is claimed is:

1. In a network compatible system for displaying medical information derived from a plurality of sources, user interface apparatus comprising:

10 a communication processor for acquiring via a communication network patient medical data collated over a plurality of days;

a display generator for generating

15 a day indicator associated with said patient medical data indicating a current day and at least one of, (a) a prior day and (b) a subsequent day relative to said current day; said current day indication having a display attribute; and

20 a timeline for use in identifying medical data associated with said current day and having a portion associated with said current day, said timeline portion being distinguished using said display attribute; and

a collation processor for prioritizing parameters of said acquired medical data for display in a desired order together with said timeline.

25 2. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said timeline is capable of covering periods in excess of one day and includes intra-day time intervals.

5 3. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said display attribute comprises at least one of (a) a color, (b) a text or symbol, (c) a text or symbol geometry or style, and (d) a font type.

10 4. The apparatus of claim 3, wherein said color display attribute is at least one of (a) background color, (b) a text color.

15 5. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said prior day or subsequent day indications of said day indicator have a different display attribute than said current day display attribute.

20 6. The apparatus of claim 5, wherein said different display attribute comprises a different color than a color associated with said current day display.

 7. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said timeline portion associated with said current day is distinguished from another portion of said timeline by means of color.

25 8. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said communication network is at least one of an internet or intra-net compatible network.

5 9. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said display generator is an internet browser.

10 10. A network compatible method for displaying medical information derived from a plurality of sources, comprising steps of:

 acquiring medical parameters associated with a patient over a plurality of days;

15 prioritizing certain of said medical parameters acquired for display in a desired order along a timeline associated with a current day and at least one of a prior day and a subsequent day; and

 allocating an attribute for display along a portion of the timeline associated with the current day to distinguish those medical parameters associated with the current day.

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 11. The method of claim 10, further comprising the step of providing at a first area of the display an indicator of the current day, said indicator having a color attribute for identifying the current day from said prior or subsequent days.

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 12. The method of claim 11, wherein said color attribute comprises a background color.

5 13. The method of claim 11, wherein said timeline covers periods in excess of one day and includes intra-day time intervals.

10 14. The method of claim 11, further comprising the step of providing at said first area of the display a scrollable window for selecting said current day from said plurality of days.

15 15. The method of claim 14, further comprising the step of providing in said scrollable window a color attribute associated with at least one of said prior and subsequent day distinguishable from a color attribute associated with said current day.

20 16. The method of claim 15, wherein said medical parameters are acquired over at least one of an internet or intra-net compatible network.

25 17. An internet compatible method for displaying medical data associated with a patient derived from a plurality of sources, comprising steps of:

 acquiring said medical data over a plurality of days;

5 prioritizing certain of said medical parameters acquired for display in a desired order along a timeline associated with a user selected day and at least one of a prior day and a subsequent day;

 displaying in a first area a scrollable window containing at least a subset of said plurality of days including said user selected
10 day;

 allocating an attribute associated with said user selected day for distinguishing said user selected day from all other of said plurality of days; and

 allocating the same attribute for display along a portion
15 of the timeline associated with the user selected day to distinguish those medical parameters associated with the user selected day.

18. The method of claim 17, wherein the step of allocating an attribute comprises allocating a color attribute.

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19. The method of claim 18, wherein the step of allocating a color attribute comprises providing a background color.

20. The method of claim 17, wherein said timeline
25 covers periods in excess of one day and includes intra-day time intervals.